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# Kanshin-ji Temple Emmei-ji Temple Course

Come and let the rich history of these two famous temples leave a deep impression on you!

On top of these two temples, Kanshin-ji and Emmei-ji, for which Kawachinagano is famous, you can explore a variety of historical and cultural heritage that dots the green landscape of the forest. As you enjoy a stroll through the woodland scenery, this course will allow you to soak in the history and refresh your mind.

## Kanshin-ji Temple/ Emmei-ji Temple Course

### Starting Point Kawachinagano Station

Around 12 minutes  
From Nankai Bus "Kawachinagano eki-mae" bus stop, get the 8, 9, 10, 11, or the like. Get off at "Kanshin-ji" bus stop and walk for 4 minutes.

### Kanshin-ji Temple Spend around 90 minutes here

Around 40 minutes  
On foot

### Emmei-ji Temple Spend around 60 minutes here

Around 27 minutes  
12 minutes on foot to the bus stop  
From Nankai Bus "Kamigaoka-guchi" bus stop, get the 40 or 41. Get off at "Mikanodai-guchi" bus stop and walk for 7 minutes.

### Kozen-ji Temple Spend around 30 minutes here

Around 1 minutes  
On foot

### Akasaka-Kaminoyama-jinja Shrine Spend around 10 minutes here

Around 20 minutes  
On foot

### Finish Line Mikanodai Station

\* Some routes have very few buses running on them. Please check the bus schedule in advance.

## Column: "Shrines and Temples: The Different Ways to Pray"

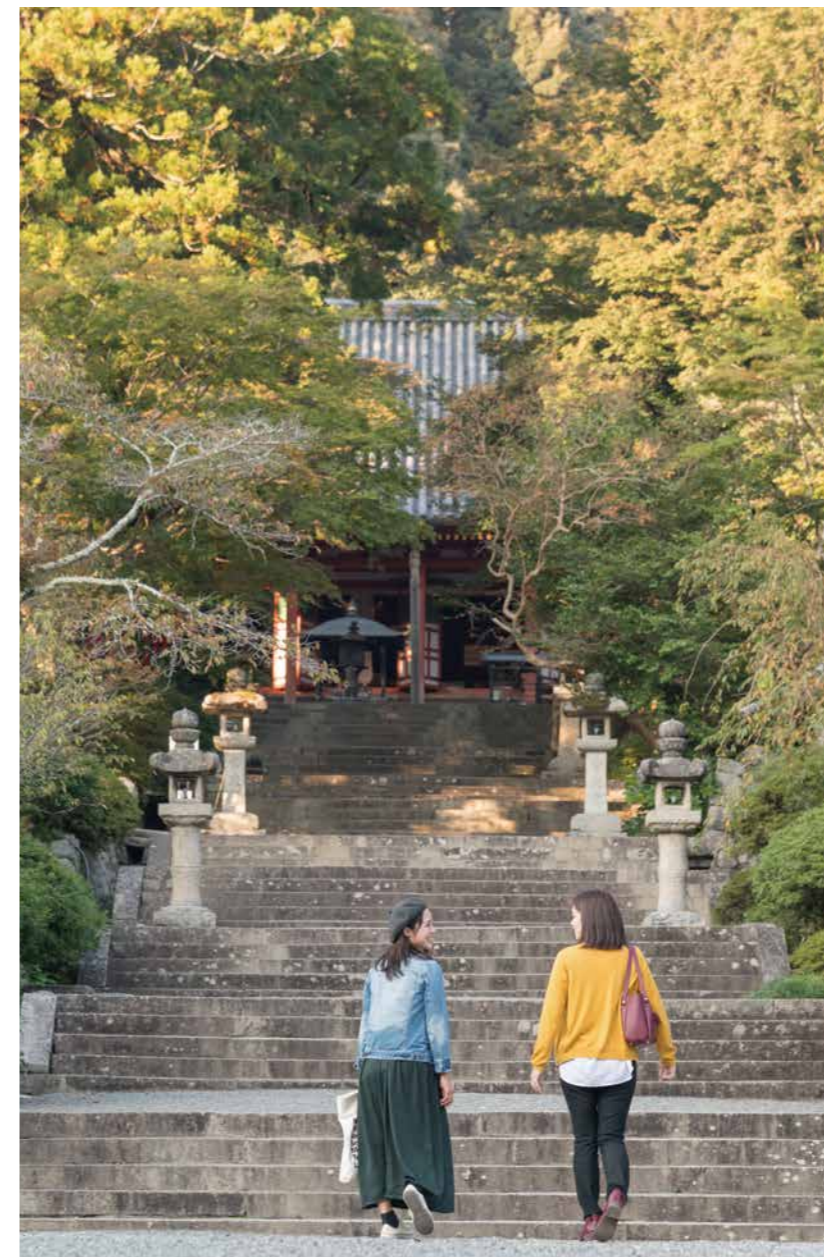
### Shrines

- 1 Bow once at the torii arch before passing through. Walk along the edge of the path.
- 2 Once you reach the worship hall, bow once and ring the bell, and put in your monetary offering.
- 3 Bow twice (deeply), clap twice, and bow deeply once more.

### Temples

- 1 Bow once at the temple gate before passing through. Do not step on the raised threshold beneath the gate.
- 2 At the main hall light a candle and incense stick to purify your body.
- 3 Press your hands together in front of your chest and make your prayer silently in your heart. Bow once at the end, and do not clap.

Kanshin-ji Temple main hall  
(National Treasure): See page 15  
for more information.



The *Tatekake-no-to* ("incomplete tower") was originally brought under construction by Kusunoki Masashige as a three-storied pagoda. His early death in battle meant that it remained incomplete, with only the first floor being constructed.

## Hino-zan Kanshin-ji Temple

One of Kawachinagano's most revered ancient temples, known for its close connection with the medieval general Kusunoki Masashige, one of Japan's national heroes. The imposing majesty of the main hall and the principal wooden idol housed therein are a sight to behold, and both are registered as National Treasures. The temple also boasts plenty of other National Treasures and Important Cultural Properties, with no end of things to see. It is also known as a "temple of flowers" where you can truly appreciate Japan's four seasons, with plum and cherry blossoms, and autumn leaves, it's a sight for the eyes no matter when you choose to visit! For more detailed information on Kusunoki Masashige, please see page 18.

### Data Wide area map : D-2

Location	475 Teramoto
Tel.	0721-62-2134
Entry fee	300 yen for adults, 100 yen for children (ages 7-15)
Opening hours	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Open year round
Access	4 minutes on foot from "Kanshin-ji" bus stop